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NEWS RELEASE SUMMARY - May13, 2005

United States Attorney Carol C. Lam announced that a federal grand jury sitting in San Diego today handed up a nineteen-count indictment charging DENNY WILLIAM EDLIN with the receipt and possession of child pornography.

The indictment alleges that on various dates between March and September 2003, EDLIN downloaded eighteen computer files which contain images of minors engaging in sexually explicit conduct. EDLIN is currently in state custody in Imperial County Jail pending fourteen felony charges involving child molestation.

United States Attorney Lam stated, "Our message is loud and clear - possession of child pornography is a federal felony offense."

This indictment was the result of an investigation by the Immigration and Customs Enforcement and the El Centro Police Department.

DEFENDANT

Case Number: 05CR0836

DENNY WILLIAM EDLIN

SUMMARY OF CHARGES

Title 18, United States Code, Sections 2252(a)(2) (Receipt of Child Pornography) and 2252(a)(4)(B) (Possession of Child Pornography)

Penalties: Mandatory Minimum 5 years and up to 20 years' incarceration and \$250,000 fine per count.

AGENCIES

Immigration and Customs Enforcement

El Centro Police Department

An indictment is not evidence that the defendant committed the crime charged. The defendant is presumed innocent until the United States meets its burden in court of proving guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.